

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 925
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27TH JULY, 2015**

COMPILATION OF LABOURERS' DATA

925. SHRI BAHADUR SINGH KOLI:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether as per the official data, the number of labourers in the country is fifty lakh only while the actual figure touches six crore;**
- (b) the reaction of the Government thereto;**
- (c) the details of the basis of compilation of such official data; and**
- (d) the efforts made by the Government to compile the child labour related data?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
(SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA)**

(a) to (d): As per results of surveys conducted by NSSO, the number of working children (5-14 years) estimated on usual status basis was 91 lakh during 2004-05, 50 lakh during 2009-10 and 40 lakh during 2011-12 showing a declining trend. The methodology adopted by NSSO in its surveys is based on sound statistical methods and is internationally accepted.
